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Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection mailed August 20, 1998, applicants kindly request re-examination and reconsideration of the rejection in view of the remarks set forth below.

REMARKS

The present invention relates to a polymerization process of vinylidene fluoride (VDF) in the presence of a microemulsion comprising:

- a) A perfluoropolyether having neutral end groups or alternatively fluoropolyoxyalkylenes having hydrogen-containing end groups and hydrogen-containing repeating units or alternatively, fluoropolyoxyalkylenes having hydrogen-containing end